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United States, continuing as the largest user of Canadian merchandise, purchased goods valued at $\$ 578,700,000$ during the month, a $17.9 \%$ increase over the April 1966 total of $\$ 490,700,000$. During the JanuarymApril period sales swelled $20.9 \%$ to $\$ 2,230,800,000$ from $\$ 1,844,600,000$.

Sales to the United Kingdom during the month dropped $4.3 \%$ to $\$ 86,300,000$ from $\$ 90,200,000$ in Apri1, 1966 and during cumulative period, rose $2.8 \%$ to $\$ 371,900,000$ from $\$ 361,900,000$. Other commonwealth and preferential rate country purchases during April soared $37.4 \%$ to $\$ 47,400,000$ from $\$ 34,500,000$ and during the JanuarymApril period climbed $33.6 \%$ to $\$ 196,600,000$ from $\$ 147,100,000$.

April sales to other countries at $\$ 188,100,000$ were $19.0 \%$ higher than the 1966 month total of $\$ 158,100,000$ and JanuarymApril sales at $\$ 728,800,000$ were $11.0 \%$ above the 1966 total of $\$ 656,600,000$.
$2 \& 3$ Commodity Exports Canadian commodity exports in January moved up $28.3 \%$ to $\$ 926,516,000$ from $\$ 722,930,000$ in January 1966. The corresponding 1965 value was $\$ 569,149,000$. United States purchases climbed $33.8 \%$ in the year-to-year period while those of the United Kingdom rose $17.0 \%$.

Other major buyers of Canadian merchandise included Japan, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, India, Australia, Communist China, Netherlands, Federal Republic of Germany and Italy. Merchandise bought in greatest quantities included newsprint paper, wheat, passenger automobiles and chassis, wood pulp and similar pulp, softwood lumber, aluminum, including alloys, crude petroleum, copper and alloys, motor vehicle parts, except engines and nickel in ores, concentrates and scrap.
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Summary of Exports

|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1966 | 1967 |
|  |  |  |
| By Country |  |  |
| United States | 400,085 | 535,281 |
| United Kingdom. | 100,080 | 117,635 |
| Japan... | 20,894 | 62,474 |
| Union of Soviet Socialist Republics | 26,188 | 18,362 |
| India. | 2,507 | 18,167 |
| Australia. | 9,181 | 14,447 |
| Communist China. | 6,747 | 13,811 |
| Netherlands | 10,473 | 11,383 |
| Federal Republic of Germany. | 19,060 | 10,924 |
| Italy.... | 10,583 | 10,227 |
| By Commodity |  |  |
| Newsprint paper.......................... | 73,093 | 79,774 |
| Wheat | 65, 137 | 78,743 |
| Passenger automobiles and chassis | 24,456 | 55,889 |
| Wood pulp and similar pulp. | 38,123 | 46,621 |
| Softwood 1umber. | 30,785 | 38,667 |
| Aluminum, including alloys | 31,075 | 33,168 |
| Crude petroleum. | 23,355 | 31,712 |
| Copper and alloys | 19,465 | 29,464 |
| Motor vehicle parts, except engines.... | 16,369 | 26,858 |
| Nickel in ores, concentrates and scrap. | 21,129 | 21,305 |

Canada's March index of industrial production fell fractionally to 277.3 from the revised February level of 277.6 . Users should note that the whole of the 1966 index of industrial production has now been revised to incorporate raw data changes and more up to date seasonal factors. These new seasonal factors have also been incorporated into the 1967 data.

Returning to the March index of industrial production, the decine was concentrated in electric power and gas utilities $(-1.6 \%)$, as manufacturing was virtually unchanged while mining rose $(+0.6 \%)$. In manufacturing non-durables fell by $0.7 \%$ while durables rose by $0.6 \%$.

In mining $(+0.6 \%)$, the increase was confined to the metals component $(+5 \%)$ as fuels and non-metals fell by 2 and $5 \%$ respectively. The bulk of the metals galn was due to a better than $30 \%$ rise in "other metals", largely due to increased exports of uranium. In fuels $(-2 \%)$ nearly all the decrease was confined to petroleum as coal rose while natural gas was down only fractionally. In nonmetals both components contributed almost equally to the decline.

In manufacturing, which was virtually unchanged from February, the decline of $0.7 \%$ in non-durables was almost entirely offset by the $0.6 \%$ increase in durables. The principal factor in the non-durables decifne was the near $6 \%$ drop in paper products; the bulk of this was due to a relative decrease in newsprint exports to the United States. In beverages ( $+5 \%$ ) most of the gain was due to $a$ near $24 \%$ increase in distilleries.

In durable manufactures, electrical apparatus and supplies, which rose by nearly $8 \%$, was responsible for the $0.6 \%$ gain. It was the only major group to show an increase with the increase being in large part due to recovery from a strike affected low February. Heavy electrical machinery, which rose by nearly $31 \%$ was the major factor in the electrical apparatus and supplies gain although all other components, with the exception of telecommuication equipment, also rose. Primary iron and steel rose by $1.4 \%$. In electric power and gas utilities both components declined.

With the first quarter of 1967 complete, the following changes are now shown, in column 1 for the first quarter of 1967 from the fourth quarter of 1966 on a seasonally adjusted basis, and in column 2 for the first three months of 1967 over the first three months of 1966 .

|  | $4 Q^{\prime} 66-1 Q^{\prime} 67$ <br> percent change | 1st 3 months ${ }^{\prime} 67$ <br> lst 3 months ${ }^{\prime} 66$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Index of Industrial Production | -0.9 | +2.6 |
| Mining | -0.1 | +5.8 |
| Manufacturing | -1.6 | +0.9 |
| Nonmurable | -0.8 | +1.6 |
| Durable | -2.5 | +0.1 |
| Electric Power and Gas Utilities | +3.5 | +10.8 |

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N5. Census Population for Electoral Districts
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Final 1966 Census population totals for Canada's 263 electoral districts are shown in an advance census report released to-day. The figures in this report are based on the Representation Act of 1952 on which the present membership In the House of Comons is constituted. A special report will be issued shortly in which the population totals of the 1966 Census will be shown according to the new electoral districts established by the 1966 re-distribution.

The present report is the first in a series of advance bulletins containing final summary information of the 1966 Census on specified topics. Further population reports in this serles will be released in the coming weeks to show population counts for countles and urban centres of 5,000 and over, and distributions by ruralurban, specifled age groups and marital status.
> 6. Population Totals by Countles And Census Divisions

Final population totals of the 1966 Census were released today by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics for the 237 counties and census divisions across Canada. Figures from the 1961 Census are also included for comparative purposes.

For Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario, population totals are shown in this advance report for the counties. In the other five provinces, where there are no counties similar in function to those in the foregoing provinces, the report shows population totals for the census divisions which were established for the publication of census statistics.

At a later date, four regional reports will be issued in the regular volume series to show the distribution of population within each county or census division. These reports will show the population, classified by males and females, for the individual cities, towns, villages, municipalities, etc., located within each county or census division.
7. Population of counties and Census Subdivisions of the Atlantic Provinces

A regional report was released today showing 1966 Census population totals by sex for all municipalities, i.e., incorporated cities, towns, villages, townships, parishes, etc., within the counties or census divisions of Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. This volume series report, which also provides comparative totals from the 1961 Census, will be followed shortly by reports showing similar data for Quebec, Ontario and the Western Provinces.

> MANUFACTURING
*8. Sawmills in British Columbia
Production of sawn lumber and ties by both coast and interior sawmills in British Columbia was greater than a year earlier in both February and in the two-month period. According to an advance release of data that will be contained in the February issue of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics report, "Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia", February production increased from 596,700,000 feet board measure to $651,700,000$ and the twomonth period production rose to $1,240,200,000$ feet board measure from 1,127,700,000.
9. Gypsum Products March shipments of gypsum products were as follows: wallboard, $47,463,926$ square feet $(59,951,793$ in March 1966); 1ath, $9,686,705$ square feet ( $13,729,514$ ); sheathing, 656,520 square feet ( $1,081,280$ ); plasters, 14,693 tons $(23,114)$. January-March: wall board, $146,405,511$ square feet $(177,690,427)$; lath, $39,833,101$ square feet $(56,444,484)$; sheathing, $2,913,672$ square feet $(3,835,374)$; plasters, 46,028 tons $(65,082)$.

Canadian mineral production during February was as follows: asbestos, 82,541 tons (101, 834 in February 1966) ; cement, 298,184 tons $(413,152)$; clay products, $\$ 1,964,925(\$ 2,517,942)$; coal, $1,013,752$ tons ( $1,112,266$ ) ; copper, 43,397 tons ( 37,541 ); gold, 253,698 troy ounces ( 277,263 ) ; gypsum, 180,353 tons $(260,800)$; iron ore, 800,772 tons $(933,677)$; lead, 18,755 ( 18,559 ); lime, 110,387 tons ( 115,462 ); molybdenum, $1,818,553$ pounds ( $1,515,992$ ); natural gas, $162,315,000$ thousand cubic feet $(136,346,535)$; nickel, 17,545 tons ( 19,575 ); petroleum, $28,675,561$ barrels $(28,111,150)$; potash, 164,908 tons $(150,899)$; salt, 477,743 tons $(378,568)$; silver, $2,503,916$ troy ounces $(2,423,810)$; uranium, 494,700 pounds ( 662,247 ); zinc, 80,710 tons $(71,240)$.
11. Mineral Wool March shipments of mineral wool were as follows: six-inch batts, $1,098,242$ square feet; four-inch batts, $2,549,390$ square feet; three-inch batts, 9,941,359 square feet; two-inch batts, 14,500,554 square feet; granulated wool, 436,199 cubic feet; bulk or loose wool, 102,880 cubic feet.
12. Iron Ore Shipments of iron ore in March amounted to 903,266 tons, a sharp decrease of $39 \%$ from last year's like total of $1,481,863$ tons. This brought the year's first-quarter total to $2,446,298$ tons, smaller by one-third than the year earlier figure of $3,699,023$ tons. Stocks at month's end were 13,631,817 tons, a large increase ( $69 \%$ ) from $8,066,647$ a year ago. The quarter's shipments of ore to Canadian consumers dropped to 681,268 tons from $1,181,489$ last year, while shipments of ore for export fell to $1,765,030$ tons from $2,517,534$.
*13. Steel Ingots Steel ingot production during the week ending May 27 , totalled 196,454 tons, a $2.2 \%$ increase over the preceding week's total of 192,197 tons. Output during the comparable week of 1966 was 199,033 tons. The index of production, based on the average weekly output during 1957-1959 of 96, 108 equaliing 100, was 204 in the current week, 200 a week earlier and 207 one year ago.
*14. Leather Footwear Production of leather footwear in March totalled 4,520,620 pairs, 2.5\% lower than the March 1966 total of 4,634,319. Production of children's, little gent's, babies' and infants' shoes totalled 490,082 pairs ( 548,128 in March 1966); women's, growing girls and misses, $2,611,633(2,699,173$; men's boy's and youths', $1,418,905(1,387,018)$.
*15. Sawmills East of the Rockies
Production of lumber by sawmills east of the Rockies decreased 3.3\% in March to 291,798,000 feet board measure from $301,017,000$ in the 1966 month, and during the three-month period dropped to $747,725,000$ feet board measure from $767,766,000$. Stocks on hand at March 31 totalled 565,091,000 feet board measure.
16. Rubber Production March rubber production $-\infty$ including natural, synthetic and reclaimed -- totalled $39,983,000$ pounds a drop from the corresponding 1966 total of $41,351,000$. In the January March period production dropped to $110,481,000$ pounds in 1967 from $116,656,000$ pounds last year.
17. Soaps and Synthetic Detergents

Value of factory shipments of soaps and synthetic detergents during March declined to $\$ 9,034,515$ from $\$ 9,528,097$ in March 1966 . During the three-month period shipments decreased to $\$ 27,262,863$ from $\$ 27,341,643$. During February shipments rose to $\$ 9,009,251$ in the 1967 month from $\$ 8,624,722$ last year.
18. Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers March sales of paints, varnishes $\$ 16,526,016$ from $\$ 17,135,905$ in the 1966 month and during the threemonth period increased to $\$ 44,206,636$ from $\$ 40,360,058$.
\%19. Industry \& Production Notes, 1965 - - Advance Releases
The following summarized statistics for the manufacturing, mining and forestry industries will appear later in detail in regular publications of the Industry Division. Concepts and definitions employed together with an account of recent changes will also be included in each report.

Embroidery, Pleating and Hemstitching Manufacturers (Cat. 34-210): Factory shipments from the embroidery, pleating and hemstitching manufacturers increased in 1965 to $\$ 13,064,000$ from $\$ 12,307,000$ in 1964. Cost of materials, fuel and electricity rose in the year to $\$ 3,945,000$ from $\$ 3,667,000$ in the preceding year and value added by manufacturing activity (value of production less value of materials, fuel and electricity) to $\$ 9,136,000$ from $\$ 8,632,000$. Industry value added (manufacturing plus non-manufacturing activity) advanced from $\$ 8,794,000$ to $\$ 9,281,000$.

One hundred and thirty-three establishments (135 in 1964) reported 1,846 employees ( 1,802 ), including 1,534 directly employed in manufacturing operations ( 1,521 ). Salarles and wages for all employees aggregated $\$ 5,671,000(\$ 5,439,000)$ with manufacturing employees accounting for $\$ 4,416,000(\$ 4,163,000)$. Paid manhours in manufacturing operations numbered $3,204,000$ versus $3,168,000$ the previous year.

Hat and Cap Industry (Cat. 34-214): Factory shipments from the hat and cap industry increased in 1965 to $\$ 26,733,000$ from $\$ 29,354,000$ in 1964. Cost of materials, fuel and electricity declined in the year to $\$ 11,444,000$ from $\$ 13,007,000$ in the preceding year and value added by manufacturing activity (value of production less value of materials, fuel and electricity) to $\$ 15,328,000$ from $\$ 16,508,000$. Industry value added (manufacturing plus non-manufacturing activity) dropped from $\$ 16,708,000$ to $\$ 15,433,000$.

One hundred and seventeen establishments (123 in 1964) reported 3, 160 employees $(3,549)$, including 2,601 directly employed in manufacturing operations $(2,948)$. Salaries and wages for all employees aggregated $\$ 11,232,000(\$ 11,977,000)$ with manufacturing employees accounting for $\$ 7,864,000(\$ 8,477,000)$. Paid man-hours in manufacturing operations numbered $5,001,000$ versus $5,704,000$ the previous year.

Canvas Products Industry (Cat. 34-202): Factory shipments from the canvas products industry increased in 1965 to $\$ 24,167,000$ from $\$ 21,705,000$ in 1964. Cost of materials, fuel and electricity rose in the year to $\$ 13,390,000$ from $\$ 12,524,000$ in the preceding year and value added by manufacturing activity (value of production less value of materials, fuel and electricity) to $\$ 10,950,000$ from $\$ 9,735,000$. Industry value added (manufacturing plus nonmanufacturing activity) advanced from $\$ 10,276,000$ to $\$ 11,698,000$.

One hundred and forty-four establishments (139 in 1964) reported 1,986
employees ( 1,898 ), including 1,473 directly employed in manufacturing operations $(1,447)$. Salaries and wages for all employees aggregated $\$ 6,677,000(\$ 5,886,000)$ With manufacturing employees accounting for $\$ 4,166,000(\$ 3,818,000)$. Paid man-hours in manufacturing operations numbered $3,002,000$ versus $3,011,000$ the previous year.
20. Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

Shipments of uncoated, plain, round, including oiled and annealed steel wire dropped to 14,525 tons in April from 16,927 in the 1966 month. Iron and steel wire nails shipments declined to 7,212 tons from 9,039.
21. Business Financial Statistics Following the trend in recent quarters, financial institutions continued to show mixed rates of growth in the fourth quarter of 1966.

The trust companies' increase in total assets of $131 / 2 \%$ over the same quarter a year earlier was higher than the $121 / 4 \%$ rate of growth in the third quarter. Investment in mortgages, which showed a $12 \%$ increase, however, was below the $151 / 2 \%$ increase recorded in the third quarter.

Mortgage loan companies continued with a declining rate of growth trend.
The sales finance companies showed an increase of less than $2 \%$ in receivable paper in the fourth quarter over the same period a year earlier, down from $41 / 2 \%$ in the third quarter. In this trend, however, is reflected the effect of bankrupt companies as well as the tendency towards providing a higher rate of provision for bad debt losses in the industry.

Mutual funds, on the other hand, showed a $20 \%$ increase in shareholders' funds with investment portfolio at market value increasing by $51 / 2 \%$.

The changes during the fourth quarter over the same quarter in the previous year for selected items for these institutions are as follows:

> Changes from same pertod a year earlier Amount in
Millions of $\$$
\%

## Trust Companies

| Total Assets | $+463$ | $+13.5$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mortgages | + 234 | + 12.1 |
| Term deposits | + 415 | $+20.7$ |
| Mortgage Companies |  |  |
| Total Assets | $+138$ | + 5.7 |
| Mortgages | $+115$ | + 6.3 |
| Term deposits | + 114 | +8.3 |
| Sales Finance Companies |  |  |
| Receivables | + 69 | $+1.9$ |
| Mutual Funds |  |  |
| Paid-in Capital | + 279 | $+19.6$ |
| Investment portfolio at market value | + 101 | + 5.5 |
| Closedmend Funds |  |  |
| Investment portfolio at market value | - 64 | - 8.0 |

## V I TALS TATISTICS

22. Births, Deaths and Marriages

Canada's birth rate during the January-April period sank $5.9 \%$ to 123,551 from 131, 259 in the corresponding 1966 period. All provinces, with the exception of New Brunswick which reported an $0.8 \%$ increase, showed declines in the number of births registered. These ranged from $0.4 \%$ in British Columbia and Alberta to $12.7 \%$ in Quebec. During April birth registrations filed in provincial offices totalled 31,217, up 3.7\% over the March figure of 30,169 and $4.7 \%$ above the April 1966 total of 29,890.

Marriages registered during the month numbered 9,315, up $13.3 \%$ over the April 1966 total of 8,221 , while deaths dropped during the month to 11,968 from 13,178 in the corresponding month of 1966. During the four-month period marriages increased $10.6 \%$ to 32,929 from 29,778 while deaths declined $5.1 \%$ to 49,769 from 52,458 in 1966.

V I T A L S T A T I S T I C S (concluded) page 8 23. Nuptiality Canada's crude marriage rate per 1,000 population declined from 9.1 in 1950 to 7.2 in 1964 according to the
Dominfon Bureau of Statistics report "Nuptiality, 1950-1964". Over the same period, the marriage rate per 1,000 women between 15 and 44 fell off from 40.9 to 35.2. The first section of the report covers the longmterm trend in nuptiality in Canada between 1921 and 1964. Four distinct submperiods of growth and decline in the national marriage rate are examined separately. The report then analyses the marriage trend in each province for the period 1950-1964. Provincial crude marriage rates showed sharp declines throughout Central and Western Canada over this period.

Average age at marriage of brides and grooms is dealt with in the second section. Again, the Canadian trend is covered for the 1921-1964 period, and the provincial average ages are examined in detail over the period 1950-1964. The average ages of both brides and grooms have declined steadily in all provinces over the past fifteen years. The third section classiffes Canadian brides and grooms according to age and marital status, and classifies the brides and grooms within each province according to marital status, each for the period 1950-1964.

Nuptiality of minors between 1950 and 1964 is considered in the fourth section. The number of Canadian minors marrying has increased steadily over the period. In 1964, $14.0 \%$ of all grooms and $43.4 \%$ of all brides were minors. The fifth section, which also covers the $1950-1964$ period, classifies brides and bridegrooms by religious denomination, and analyses the extent to which they choose partners of their own faith. Approximately twouthirds of all Canadian marriages are between persons of the same religious denomination. The final section compares Canadian crude marriage rates in 1960-1962 with the corresponding rates in twenty-nine selected countries. In 1962, Canada's crude marriage rate was 7.0 as compared with the highest rate of 9.9 for Roumania and with the lowest rate of 5.5 for Ireland.

E D UCATION
*24. Education Finance
Statistical data of income and expenditures of public school boards for the calendar year 1963, federal and provincial expenditures on education for the fiscal year 1963-64, and revenue and expenditures of independent teaching institutions such as universities, private academic schools and business colleges for their respective school years, closest to the 1963 calendar year are presented in the Dominion Bureau of Statistics publication, "Survey of Education Fiannce, 1963."

Both formal education, (consisting of elementary and secondary education, teacher training and higher education), and vacational training, expenditures on various cultural activities are included in the report. After several years of rapidly growing expenditures on education, augmented by constantly increasing levels of capital expenditures, the 1963 total of $\$ 2,485,194,000$ shows only a moderate increase of $6.9 \%$ over the previous year-the lowest year-to-year increase in nine years. This is due to a marked decline in capital expenditures. Provincial grants for school construction, and particularly for vocational high schools, decreased by $\$ 95,274,000$ in certain key provinces, while provincial expenditures on other facilities for vocational training declined by almost $\$ 29,000,000$, causing federal grants for these purposes to decline by $\$ 77,589,000$.

If the level of capital expenditures in the provinces where these decreases occurred had continued at the same level as in 1962, ensuring a comparable level of federal grants for construction of vocational facilities, the annual increase in the total expenditures on education would have been $15.6 \%$, or the third highest annual increase in the last nine years.

Canada's general wholesale index (1935-39=100) for April was 262.0 , unchanged from March and was $1.5 \%$ above the April 1966 index of 258.2 . Four major group indexes were higher while one declined. Three major group indexes remained the same, vegetable products at 230.1 , non-ferrous metals products at 236.6 , and chemical products at 209.9 .

The nonmetallic minerals products group index rose $0.4 \%$ in April to 198.6 from the March index of 197.7 on higher prices for coke, and clay and allied products. An advance of $0.3 \%$ to 344.0 from 343.0 in the wood products group index reflected price increases for cedar, hemlock, fir, and hardwoods. Little change occurred in the following two major group indexes: textile products to 251.5 from 251.4 , and iron products to 272.6 from 272.5 . The animal products group index moved down $0.5 \%$ to 289.2 from 290.6 on lower prices for livestock, fresh and cured meats, hides and skins, and animal oils and fats.
*26. Industry Selling Price Indexes
Industry selling price indexes (1956 = 100) were higher for 35 manufacturing industries in April, 10 less than the 45 increases recorded in March. Industry indexes which moved down numbered 22 in April, 3 less than in the previous month when 25 declined. $0 f$ the 102 industries, 45 remained the same, an increase of 13 from the February $=$ March comparison when 32 were unchanged.

The average level of the 102 industry indexes rose to 114.2 from the March level of 113.9 . The median also advanced, from 114.1 to 114.3.

(1) Composed of Banks, and Investment and loan.

HOSPITALS

## 28. <br> Hospital Morbidity

Inpatient care in the majority of general and allied special hospitals in all provinces expect Ontario is covered in a special report on hospital morbidity for 1964 . The report shows the number of cases separated and total days of care applicable to these separations. Age groups and sex are specified for approximately 900 diagnostic classifications listed by the International Classification of Diseases, three digit list. The report is the fourth of its kind. Information for 1965 has been tabulated for release in the fall, followed in several months by data for 1966.

January-March sales of new motor vehicle sales slumped $10.5 \%$ to 191,644 in 1967 from 214,160 last year, with the retail value dropping $8.4 \%$ to $\$ 665,383,000$ from $\$ 726,482,000$ in 1966 . Sales of passenger units showed the greater decline, with an $11.3 \%$ drop to 158,457 from 178,715 last year against a $6.4 \%$ drop in commercial sales to 33,187 units in 1967 from 35,445. Corresponding retall values shows passenger unit sales decreasing $10.7 \%$ to $\$ 523,162,000$ this year from $\$ 585,693,000$, while commercial unit values rose $1.0 \%$ to $\$ 142,221,000$ from $\$ 140,789,000$.

During March total sales of new motor vehicles dropped to 82,362 units valued at $\$ 279,048,000$ from 94,366 units valued at $\$ 323,969,000$ in the 1966 month. Passenger vehicle sales numbered 67,999 in March 1967 against 79,882 in the 1966 month and conmercial units, 14,363 compared with 14,484 .
*30. Chain Store Sales Chain store sales in February at $\$ 482,478,000$ were up $5.6 \%$ over the 1966 month. Largest monthly increases were registered by hardware stores ( $15.1 \%$ ), variety stores ( $10.5 \%$ ) and drug stores ( $6.5 \%$ ). Three trades registered decreased sales; furniture, radio and appliance stores ( $3.8 \%$ ), shoe stores ( $2.4 \%$ ) and women's clothing stores ( $0.3 \%$ ).
*31. Retail Trade Retail sales during March totalled $\$ 1,868,915,000$, an increase of $1.7 \%$ over the same month last year. Variety stores registered the largest increase ( $22.7 \%$ ), followed by fuel dealers ( $18.0 \%$ ) and family clothing ( $11.8 \%$ ). These increases were offset by decreases in motor vehicle dealers ( $17.2 \%$ ) and furniture, T.V., radio and appliance stores ( $6.6 \%$ ). All provinces with the exception of New Brunswick, Ontario and Saskatchewan registered increased sales; the largest increases were in Manitoba (17.6\%) and British Columbia (9.4\%).
32. Farm Implement and Equipment Sales

Farm implement and equipment sales, including all repair parts, totalled
$\$ 46,045,000$ in the January to March period, a $13.7 \%$ rise over the corresponding 1966 total of $\$ 40,491,000$. Sales of repair parts totalled $\$ 13,913,000$, a rise of $6.3 \%$ over the previous year total of $\$ 13,086,000$.
33. Department Store Sales Department store sales during the week ending May 13 were up $21.3 \%$ over the corresponding 1966 week with
regional increases as follows: Atlant1c Provinces, 14.3\%; Quebec, $21.8 \%$; Ontario, $24.6 \%$; Manitoba, $28.1 \%$; Saskatchewan, $20.1 \%$; Alberta, $19.5 \%$; British Columbia, $15.9 \%$.

TRANSPORTATION
34. Carloadings Revenue freight loadings during the seven day period ended May 14 declined to 78,978 , down $12.1 \%$ from the previous year total, but were $5.3 \%$ higher than during the previous seven-day period. During the cumulative period total carloadings decreased $7.3 \%$ to $1,342,833$. Piggyback loadings declined $17.8 \%$ to 3,690 in the current period and $5.1 \%$ to 63,160 during the cumulative period.

Receipts from both Canadian and United States rail connections rose $2.3 \%$ to 25,821 during the seven-day period and dropped $3.0 \%$ to 480,447 during the year to date. Commodities reflecting significant decreases during the current period included: wheat, 6,182 ( 8,482 in the 1966 period); coal, 1,894 ( 2,837 ); iron ore, 10,979 (11,734); building sand, gravel and crushed stone, $2,580(3,627)$; logs, posts, poles and piling, 1,244 ( 1,946 ). "Other" grain was the main commodity moved in more cars using 3,538 compared with 1,716 during the 1966 period.
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## $\therefore 35$. Civil Aviation

The six scheduled air carriers that account for about $90 \%$ of the total operating'revenues of all Canadian air carriers reported increases of $13.8 \%$ in operating revenues and of $20.9 \%$ in operating expenses compared with December 1965. For the month, their net deficit after taxes was $\$ 2,177,585$ in 1966 and $\$ 3,733,473$ in 1965. Net income for the year was $\$ 11,217,406$ in 1966 and $\$ 10,333,878$ in 1965.

Statistical Summary - Canadian Scheduled Air Carriers - December

|  |  | December |  | January-December |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1966 | 1965 | 1966 | 1965 |
| Revenue Traffic |  |  |  |  |  |
| Departures | No. | 22,295 | 21,294 | 275,627 | 263,002 |
| Hours flown | " | 31,208 | 28,144 | 374,435 | 346,541 |
| Miles flown | '000 | 8,700 | 7,589 | 101,479 | 90,035 |
| Passengers carried | 11 | 527 | 476 | 6,754 | 5,956 |
| Goods carried | tons | 10,325 | 10,333 | 121,852 | 104,263 |
| Passenger-miles (Unit toll) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Domestic ........ | millions | 235 | 207 | 3,022 | 2,597 |
| International | " | 184 | 161 | 2,539 | 2,109 |
| Passenger-miles (Bulk) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Domestic | " | 2 | 1 | 49 | 28 |
| International | 11 | 3 | 7 | 238 | 335 |
| Goods ton-miles (Unit toll) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Domestic | '000 | 7,493 | 6,679 | 76,812 | 64,310 |
| International | 11 | 6,191 | 4,964 | 55,619 | 42,487 |
| Goods ton-miles (Bulk) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Domestic ......... | " | 247 | 276 | 5,031 | 5,878 |
| International | 11 | - | - | 4 | 52 |
| Revenues and Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating revenues | \$'000 | 32,066 | 28,163 | 402,724 | 348,229 |
| Operating expenses | $\because$ | 35,706 | 29,511 | 378,209 | 327,014 |
| Operating income (loss) | 11 | $(3,640)$ | $(1,348)$ | 24,515 | 21,215 |
| Net income (deficit) | 11 | $(2,178)$ | $(3,733)$ | 11,217 | 10,334 |

The number of passengers flown into and out of Canada in December was up $17.0 \%$ over the same month in 1965. Weight of cargo carried increased $13.9 \%$ and mail was $16.4 \%$ higher. Canadian scheduled international carriers transported 141,582 passengers, 2,320 tons of cargo and excess baggage and 461 tons of mail, while reporting foreign carriers transported 128,883 passengers, 2,422 tons of cargo and excess baggage and 343 tons of mail.


Leaving Canada for:
The United States

Europe
All other countries Total Entering Canada from:

| The United States | 95.6 | 82.2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Europe | 19.3 | 16.6 |
| All other countries | 9.8 | 7.8 |
| Total | 124.7 | 106.6 |


| 1966 | 1965 |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 509.1 |  | 445.8 |
| 719.1 |  | 499.6 |
| 191.9 | 141.6 |  |
| $1,420.1$ | $1,087.0$ |  |
|  |  |  |
| $1,583.5$ | $1,685.6$ |  |
| $1,597.7$ | $1,282.2$ |  |
| 140.6 | 107.5 |  |
| $3,321.8$ | $3,075.3$ |  |


| Ma11 <br> (tons) |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Decenber |  |
| 1966 | 1965 |
| 127.4 | 111.3 |
| 188.7 | 157.2 |
| 36.8 | 26.4 |
| 352.9 | 294.9 |
| 214.0 | 205.3 |
| 197.0 | 166.7 |
| 39.6 | 23.3 |
| 450.6 | 395.3 |

Crop Conditions Seeding is now general throughout most of the prairie provinces with rapid progress reported this past week. Moisture conditions are adequate to ensure germination in most districts, but a good spring rain would be welcome in western Manitoba and eastern Saskatchewan. With recent warmer weather, pastures and weeds are beginning to grow but development is still later than normal.

Seeding is now general throughout most of Manitoba except for low spots on heavier soils. In the western section the amount seeded varies from 15 to $55 \%$ while about $10 \%$ of the crop is in the eastern half. Rain is needed in southwestern Manitoba for even germination but elsewhere moisture conditions are generally satisfactory. Pasture and weed growth are making rapid growth.

Warm, dry weather enabled farmers in Saskatchewan to make good progress with seeding during the past week and more than half of the wheat acreage has now been planted. If similar conditions hold for the coming week the bulk of the crop will have been sown. Weed growth as well as growth in hay and pasture fields has been delayed by the previous cool weather but some improvement occurred during the past week. Moisture supplies are generally adequate in most areas to ensure germination.

Good progress has been made with wheat seeding in most areas of Alberta during the past week. In the southwest corner, however, operations have been delayed by excessively wet conditions. It is expected that more crops than usual will be planted on stubble land and more fertilizer, particularly phosphorus, will be applied. The slow germination of weeds would indicate farmers are planning more intensive chemical weed control than usual. Pastures in the south responded to warm weather last week. However, little growth has been reported in other regions.
37. Egg Production Canada's estimated egg production in April at 37,100,000 dozen was $3.1 \%$ higher than the $36,000,000$ dozen produced in Apri1 1966. The estimated number of layers at $25,700,000$ was $3.5 \%$ more than a year earlier but the rate of lay was down $0.2 \%$ to 1,743 eggs per 100 layers.

Sales of market eggs during April are estimated at 31,500,000 dozen, 3.5\% more than in the 1966 month. Average price of eggs to producers was 34.7 cents per dozen in April and 35.6 cents per dozen in March. Corresponding 1966 prices were 42.5 cents and 40.6 cents for April and March respectively.

Egg production in the January-April period was $146,700,000$ dozen, up $3.2 \%$ from the $142,200,000$ dozen produced during the 1966 period.
*38. Dry Skim Milk Powder Production of dry skim milk powder, in containers up to and including 24 pounds totalled $3,402,824$ pounds In Apri1, down . $5 \%$ from the corresponding 1966 total of 3,421,375. During the January-April period, production decreased $.4 \%$ to $12,890,212$ pounds from 12, 978,853 pounds in 1966. Stocks on hand at Apri1 30 totalled 2,331, 493 pounds, a $28.9 \%$ decline from the previous year total of $3,281,925$.
39. Milk Production Production of milk in April is estimated at $1,482,000,000$ pounds, $4.0 \%$ lower than production in the same month last
year. This brings the total estimated production for the four-month period to $4,796,000,000$ pounds, $1.3 \%$ below last year's corresponding total. Revised figures for March place the month's output at $1,229,009,000$ pounds against $1,262,455,000$.


[^0]| Major Species | Maritimes |  | British Columbia |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Quantity } \\ 1000 \mathrm{lb} . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Value } \\ & \${ }^{\prime} 000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Quantity } \\ & 1000 \mathrm{lb} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Value } \\ & S^{\prime} 000 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| Groundfish |  |  |  |  |
| Cod. . | 8,132 | 412 | 874 | 61 |
| Lingcod. | - | - | 602 | 60 |
| Haddock. | 15,993 | 1,132 | - |  |
| Pollock. | 3,510 | 141 | - | - |
| Hake. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 106 | 4 | - | - |
| Redfish. | 654 | 21 | - | - |
| Halibut..................... | 398 | 171 | 967 | 242 |
| Flounders and Soles........ | 6,094 | 269 | 321 | 25 |
| Other unspecified........... | 2,043 | 69 | 152 | 25 |
| TOTAL....................... | 36,930 | 2,219 | 2,916 | 413 |
| Pelagic \& Estuarial |  |  |  |  |
| Herring. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 6,473 | 106 | 55 | 4 |
| Mackerel.................... | - | - | - | - |
| Salmon. | - | - | 837 | 412 |
| Swordfish. | - | - | - | - |
| 0ther unspecified......... | 161 | 53 | 256 | 17 |
| TOTAL. ...................... | 6,634 | 159 | 1,148 | 433 |
| Molluscs \& Crustaceans |  |  |  |  |
| Crabs..... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | - | - | 458 | 73 |
| Lobster | 860 | 860 | - | - |
| Oysters.. | - | - | 1,193 | 84 |
| Scallops. | 1,239 | 682 | - |  |
| Other unspecified....... | 466 | 48 | 940 | 85 |
| TOTAL $\qquad$ <br> TOTAL - ALI SPECTES | 2,565 | 1,590 | 2,591 | 242 |
| TOTAL - ALL SPECIES..... | 46,129 | 3,968 | 6,655 | 1,088 |

*43. Tobacco Collections Canadian excise tax collections in April were as follows: cigars: domestic, $\$ 222,000$, importations, $\$ 20,000$ cigarettes, domestic, $\$ 13,788,000$, importations, $\$ 63,000$; manufactured tobacco, domestic \$803,000 importations, \$84,000.

## TRAVEL

44. Non=resident Vehicles Entering Canada Foreign vehicles entering Canada during March numbered 613,924, a $14.8 \%$ increase over the like 1966 total of 534,880. Data for 1966 have been revised to include taxis and repeat trips of commuters crossing on standing (L) permits which are not reported separately in 1967. During the January-March period vehicles entering Canada numbered $1,549,224$, up $6.2 \%$ over the 1966 total of 1,459,389.

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Tuberculosis New reported tuberculosis cases totalled 192 in February, down from the February 1966 total of 245 . Of these 172 were new active ( 213 in the 1966 month) and 20 reactivated (32). During the cumulative period new reported cases totalled 436 against 582 in 1966, of which 393 were new active (501) and 43 reactivated (81).

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＊11。
Coal and Coke Statistics，March 1967

Coal production for the month of March amounted to $1,059,488$
tons，an increase of $2.9 \%$ over the March 1966 production of $1,029,472$ tons，while landed imports were 82,109 tons compared to 98,278 tons for the month of March 1966.
＊10．Refined Petroleum Products Production of refined petroleum products increased 1．5\％in February to 29，987，726 barrels from $29,543,688$ in the $s$ ame month last year．

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